

with it, & to publish the statement & send it ^{your} together
with the letters of J. Sturge & Mr Thompson (of A. S. Standard &
copy) to every auxiliary A. S. Society, every independent one
& each of the ^{B. & F.} Com. & any quakers or others whom we
suspect of sympathizing with them. Don't you commend
our spirit? I must not be st. yet left the courage of
our Members should fail at the next Meeting when
the matter is to be settled, but at present their state
of mind is such that they are prepared to declare their
sentiments in the most decided terms, & take the
consequences of the wrath of J. Sturge & his whole com-
munity. You will I think give me credit for having
taken some pains with the education of my pupils, of
whose ignorance on my first introduction to them 8 months
ago I think I gave you a picture. Happily the visit of the
Crafts, & Scoble's misdeemeanors in claiming our doing
for himself, helped open their eyes, & prepared them to
appreciate the ^{full} benefit of Mr Chapman's & Miss
Wetton's lucid details of the rise & progress of New Orga-
nization, with which it rejoices my heart to be now in a
position to contend openly. The spirit of Anti New Orga-
nization was kindled within me as early as that of Antislavery,
^{before} the destruction of the first appeared as essential as a
precursor to any effective attack on the last, from the first
moment I looked into the history of the Movement in
America, that it has been a great trial of patience to
wait 6 years for weapons with which to assail the
enemy. Now that they have ^{themselves} ~~forced~~ ^{come} for us, & your
sisters have furnished us with others, we will take good
care to wield them with effect. Each step of our progress
however so enlarges the field of operations that our
limited strength & time & powers would discourage us
as if we had not faith in the force of truth & faithful coadjutors
raising up allies. I do believe if your sisters could
have spent as many months with us as they were
able to spare weeks & an equal time on a few other
strong holds, ^{such as Glasgow, Leeds, &c.} we should have accomplished the
victory. But ~~now~~ ^{whiles} we are left to our own feeble resources.

we will ^{sincerely} keep the road as clear as we can in ^{readiness} for
the hope of a second visit from them, would that
you could come to our aid, tho' I know America can
ill dispense with your presence! The good people
here, whom Mr C. & Miss W. have been successfully
indoctrinating, are so fully impressed with the
facts that the American & Foreign A.S. is "a humbug",
& Lewis Tappan a thief, that they call the latter by
the title of "the man that took the money", & are
importunate for some such clear statement of
his misdeeds & the origin & subsequent course of
the A. & F. Soc.^y to be put forth ^{for the sake of their own} as they have
had the advantage of hearing for themselves. They
petitioned Mr Chapman to write one, but she pre-
ferred not coming out publicly in this stage of
our contest, I suggested an application being made
to Mr S. Quincy, in his capacity of Corresponding Editor
of the Standard, for one of his succinct narrations of the
transactions. We have his commentary on Tappan's
"Confession" in the Standard & Liberator of Nov. 1848,
which I have put into circulation, but ^{single copies} that can only
reach a few, is somewhat too elaborate for any but
students of this dry branch of the Movement to give their
minds to. Will you intercede for us & get him to comply
with any application that may be made, by writing
the story (which we know he means to repeat when the
time of year comes round) in the briefest simplest
way possible, so as to be adapted to the comprehensions
of very unenlightened readers, whose literary & intellectual
resources are very scanty? And then, if he consents, will
he send us a number of copies of the Standard con-
taining it, or direct them outright to a list of people
with which we would furnish him & keep slips of it
which can accompany the next ^{packet} editions of Liberty
Bells & Gazettes. You see I have no sense of modesty
to check my boldness in making requests for anything

that strikes me as calculated to help the cause. ^{My} Mr Chapman has been making me dreadfully conscious by the condescension with which she would actually consult me about plans of operations in which she considered our experience qualified us to pass judgement, & the way in which she consented to be guided by our decision! We feel a great weight of responsibility upon us to ~~try to~~ become what her affectionate, ^{kind} construction of our intents & deeds, & her over estimate of our capacities & virtues, leads her to presume we are. The possession of her love & approbation is however to precious for us to labor very heartily at undecieving. You can hardly imagine the gratification she has caused us by the treasure she has given us of the first impression of Foley's medallion likeness of her. We feel as if we did not deserve to be so favored & were depriving you of your rights, but since we are convinced few could prize the gift more highly we quench our covetousness & make the most of her partiality, trusting to your magnanimity not being too great to allow of your foster jealousy. (Of course I am using the plural acceptance, the word embracing each member of her family, & also many of her brethren in the cause who may well look on us as usurpers.) I dare not trust myself to anything less or there is no end to all the loving things I should say of you & your dear dear party, nor all the anecdotes I could relate. It is pleasing to feel that they ^{will} invest our home with all the associations of brightness which spring from their own happy frame of mind & disburdened ^{spirits} & the incidental ^{charm} of Mr Thompson's visit, & the perpetual sunshine of the outer world, in addition to the fervor of affection which they could not help being conscious they awakened in all with whom they held intercourse. We regretted in some respects being constrained to circumscribe their social conversation very much within the bounds of our Antislavery world, since, & strength, & freedom of secretion being wanting for more promiscuous visiting. But the satisfaction of doing some specific good on every day of their stay in Bristol will I believe save them from regretting the fatigue of our resolute determination to make all we could out of them ^{in mind & heart} involved, & the entertainment it may have obliged them to forego. I have discovered in my desk a note which was to have been enclosed in one of their letters, but which was too heavy. ^{Oh} this of no intrinsic value I shall include or to prove that you were ever in our thoughts. ^{How do they spell it when they call you "Ann"?}

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Your sisters have promised to save a
little corner, dearest Miss Weston, for me
to reiterate the messages of love which
they profess to have conveyed, but which
only want of time to the satisfactory conscious-
ness that (while under our roof at least)
they have not defrauded you of your due
share of communication, have reconciled
me to delay expressing for myself. We talk
of you & wish for you every day, & miss better
than we ^{know} of.
"Auntie" I don't know how they spell it) with
"everything that is bright; & since they have
been with us everything has been bright
to an extent which has few parallels.
They will say something of the undisguised
gratification they receive from every part
they see & everything they do, & every arrange-
ment that is made for their individual
or official advantage; but that will very
imperfectly convey our participation in

the joy, & our independent sources of
happiness in their presence for their
humility will not allow them to recog-
nize the beneficial effect they produce
on everyone who comes within the reach
of their influence, from which we sanguinely
anticipate a vast accession of strength
& a wondrous diffusion of old organiza-
-ions" which was never before a tenth part
so much in the ascendency here. I must
write you an Anti-Slavery letter when they
are gone, you will have outlined enough
of our position & prospects to satisfy you till
then. There is only a moment for this line
but I did want you to know the person into
which Mr Chapman throws everyone with
whom she converses, I know zealous people
all mean to be in consequence of the privilege
of coming face to face with her; I know charming
they are with Miss Weston, Plummer, & Lippett
all, & that the only grief or disappointment
is to find that neither of these Miss Weston
is their friend (I avoid disturbing themselves
my Father's monopoly of that title) & that
they didn't write the Bazaar Gazette or

the "Come Outers," or ^{on the Appeal of} correspond with Miss
Wigham &c. &c. However they only think
wonderingly of what you must be if ^{they}
^{others} are so perfect! You will hear strange stories
I expect from Emma of some of our
proceedings, & I could give you more which
would make you think us the most
extraordinary party that every where col-
lected together in one house, as well as the
happiest. I must say Emma & Lizzy
believe very creditably, bare as contented
with my Father & Mr Webb for a play-
fellow as with any of their Parisian
beaux. It was the greatest satisfaction
for them to have the treat of Mr Thomp-
son's company for a whole week to add
to the agreeable associations with which
they promise to regard Bristol. We
have set our hearts upon their coming
again next spring, & helping us forward
by seeing how we have been spending
at our time; Give love to you to come. I must
then & then we can make a rough pro-

-grasp thro' the country. Can you persuade
Mr Wendell Phillips to bring you over to
a World's Convention in Bristol next
year? My note is demanded so I can
only add my Aunt's love & my Father's to
that of your ever affec^t

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(Oct 2.) My Father instead of being grateful for
all he has had, says he shall not be able to
rest till "his friend" comes to spend two or
three months with him; the "thinks we
might get her here quietly without letting
the Prussian know anything about it." I
would only add in this connection "that the
art of plaiting hair is among my accomplished
virtues" & shall be joyfully ^{ever ready} ~~entirely~~ ⁱⁿ your
behalf as long & as often as you will put it
into requisition; this leads me by a ^{provided} ~~friendly~~
association of ideas to ask you if you will not
set me down for a sentimental young lady &
("I am incommode") to let me have a little bit of your
hair to complete a bracelet in which your three
sister's locks are united? The Red - of our Com
would have been sent you by the Secretary but he
from home prevented my transmitting it to be
first. If ever you have time when writing to Bristol

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